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NORTHERN AND CENTRAL INDIANA WORKS

A Work Incentives Planning and Assistance (WIPA) project funded in part by Social Security's Ticket to Work program, providing comprehensive benefits planning and work incentive counseling to eligible Social Security beneficiaries.

What is Work Incentives Planning and Assistance?

Work Incentives Planning and Assistance, or WIPA, services are commonly known as "benefits counseling" for individuals who are receiving Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and/or Supplement Security Income (SSI) and are currently employed or just about to re-enter the workforce.

Our staff are fully certified Community Work Incentives Coordinators (CWICs), who maintain annual training requirements and certification through a Social Security approved accreditation process. Your CWIC will provide individualized, comprehensive services to help answer questions you might have about your benefits as you return to work. We will follow up with you to help you understand how work incentives and available work related resources can be used.

We can help you to understand how work affects a variety of benefits:

- Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Medicaid
- Medicare Parts A, B, & D
- Food Assistance
- Housing Subsidies
- And Other State & Federal Benefits

Why is Work Incentive Planning important?

A change in benefits often scares people. Work incentives information may open windows of opportunity, which may allow you to earn more.

Who is eligible for assistance?

WIPA services are available at no cost to current SSDI and SSI beneficiaries at least age 14, but not yet full retirement age, who are interested in learning about the work incentives, and are currently employed or re-entering the workforce.

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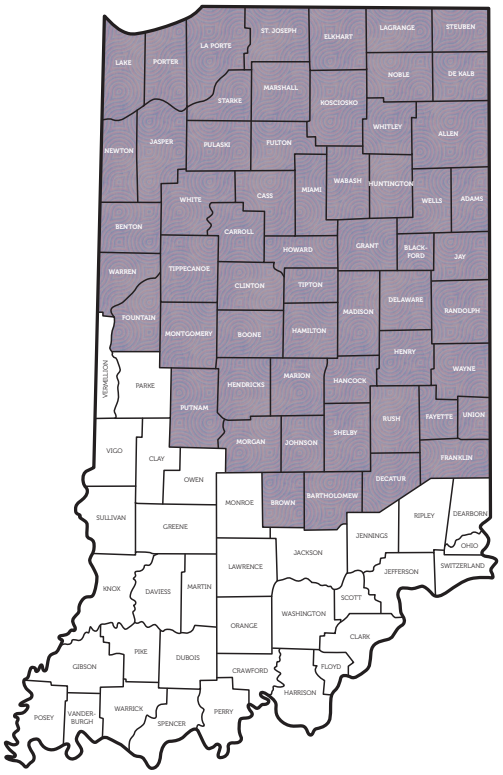

Work Incentives Planning and Assistance

If you have general questions about work incentives or the effect of work on benefits, call the Ticket-to-Work helpline at: 1-866-968-7842 or TTY: 1-866-833-2967.

If you need to speak directly to a northern or central Indiana CWIC, then call toll-free at: 1-855-641-8382 or email: IndianaWorks@aspireindiana.org.

When you call the Ticket to Work Helpline, you will be contacted by the WIPA providing services in your county.

Related web resources

Social Security Administration:
www.ssa.gov/work

Indiana Medicaid/Health Plans:
www.in.gov/fssa/2408.htm

Indiana Disability Rights:
www.in.gov/idr/ or 1-800-622-4845

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